

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the following claims which are pending in the present application:

1-32. (Cancelled)

33. (Previously Presented) A portable digital device comprising:
control devices for controlling operating functions of the portable digital device in response to manual actuation by a user, wherein the control devices include a first button, a second button and a rotatable knob;
a digital display for displaying information to the user; and
a processor for rotating the displayed information from a right-hand orientation to a left-hand orientation, and from the left-hand orientation to the right-hand orientation, wherein the right-hand orientation is for right-hand use of the portable digital device by the user, the left-hand orientation is for left-hand use of the portable digital device by the user, the first button provides a first operating function of the portable digital device in the right-hand orientation and a second operating function that is a reverse of the first operating function in the left-hand orientation, the second button provides the second operating function in the right-hand orientation and the first operating function in the left-hand orientation, and the knob provides a third operating function for the portable digital device in the right-hand and left-hand orientations and reverses orientation of the third operating function between the right-hand and left-hand orientations.

34. (Previously Presented) A portable digital device as claimed in claim 33, wherein the knob is spring loaded to a central position.

35. (Previously Presented) A portable digital device as claimed in claim 33, wherein the third operating function is forward and reverse track skip.

36. (Previously Presented) A portable digital device as claimed in claim 33, wherein the third operating function is cursor movement in the displayed information.

37. (Previously Presented) A portable digital device as claimed in claim 36, wherein the knob is rotatable anticlockwise to move a cursor to the right across a menu page in the displayed information in the right-hand orientation, the knob is rotatable clockwise to move the cursor to the left across the menu page in the right-hand orientation, the knob is rotatable anticlockwise to move the cursor to the left across the menu page in the left-hand orientation, and the knob is rotatable clockwise to move the cursor to the right across the menu page in the left-hand orientation.

38. (Previously Presented) A portable digital device as claimed in claim 33, wherein the control devices further include a third button that provides pause and playback for the portable digital device in the right-hand and left-hand orientations in the same manner in the right-hand and left-hand orientations.

39. (Previously Presented) A portable digital device as claimed in claim 33, wherein the rotation between the right-hand and left-hand orientations is 180° and does not change a layout of the displayed information.

40. (Currently Amended) A portable digital device as claimed in claim 33, wherein the portable digital device is shaped adapted to be gripped by and substantially fit within and operated by a right hand of the user for the right-hand use, and the portable digital device is shaped adapted to be gripped

by and substantially fit within and operated by a left hand of the user for the left-hand use.

41. (Currently Amended) A portable digital device as claimed in claim 33, wherein the portable digital device is shaped adapted for the control devices to be actuated by a single finger within a right hand of the user for the right-hand use, and the portable digital device is shaped adapted for the control devices to be actuated by a single finger within a left hand of the user for the left-hand use.

42. (Previously Presented) A portable digital device as claimed in claim 33, wherein the portable digital device is an MP3 player.

43-52. (Cancelled)